

**Sale of Cement belonging to Ratnagiri Parishat by Belgaum District Police.*

123. Sri B. B. SAYANAK (Belgaum).—

Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the Chief Minister of Maharashtra had made a complaint to the Chief Minister of Karnataka in respect of the cement sold by the Belgaum District Police belonging to Ratnagiri District Parishat in the month of June 1974 ;

(b) if so, the number of bags of cement sold by the Belgaum District Police ;

(c) the action taken by the Government against the Belgaum District Police ?

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister).—

(a) The Chief Minister of Maharashtra had written a letter to the Chief Minister of Karnataka about the seizure of cement bags which were being transported to Kolhapur in the month of May, 1974.

(b) No cement bags were sold by the Belgaum District Police.

(c) Does not arise in view of reply to clause (b) above.

Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—May I know how many bags of cement were seized and by whom and where ?

†Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—The police have seized 200 bags of cement in the border of Belgaum.

Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—Whether it is a fact that the cement bags were seized within the municipal area ?

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—They were seized by the Tahsildar because they were under exit to Kolhapur.

Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—May I know the reasons for the seizure of the cement ?

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—Because there was no valid permit for the lorry to go to Kolhapur from Belgaum.